



CALIFORNIA STATE PERSONNEL BOARD MEETING

801 Capitol Mall Sacramento, California

Public Session Location –
San Francisco Civic Center Complex
Hiram W. Johnson Building
Santa Barbara Room
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
Teleconference – 320 West 4th Street
Los Angeles, California, Suite 620

Closed Session Location –
San Francisco Civic Center Complex
Hiram W. Johnson Building
Santa Barbara Room
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102
Teleconference – 320 West 4th Street
Los Angeles, California Suite 620

SUMMARY MINUTES - DECEMBER 5, 2006

FULL BOARD MEETING MINUTES1

DECEMBER 5, 2006

PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

1. ROLL CALL

Sean Harrigan, Vice President Maeley Tom, Member Anne Sheehan, Member Patricia Clarey, Member

2. REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER – Floyd D. Shimomura

- **A.** After the lunch break, we will continue with the Planning Session discussion on HR reform that we began at the meeting in San Diego last month. This afternoon we will discuss the topics of workforce development (training), Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO), and performance development (discipline). We will also discuss our timeline for implementation.
- **B.** The Bureau of State Audits contacted us about a study or project they are working on relating to succession planning. We will provide them with information we have developed.
- **C.** At the next full board meeting, Dr. Steve Weyers will give an update on the possible Avian flu pandemic.
- **D.** Also, at the next full board meeting, the SPB staff will discuss the current SSA exam process and its effect on the State's ability to recruit and hire college graduates.

3. REPORT ON THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS) - Maeley Tom

Member Maeley Tom gave a brief report on recent activities of the Public Employees Retirement System.

¹ The Minutes for the Board Meetings can be obtained at the following internet address: http://www.spb.ca.gov/calendar.htm

4. REPORT OF THE CHIEF COUNSEL – Elise Rose

<u>IUOE v. SPB (PERB Case No. SA-CE-1295-S)</u> – The Public Employment Relations Board issued its long-awaited decision finding that the Board did not commit an unfair labor practice when it refused to approve settlement agreements arrived at through the Board of Adjustment process.

The Board's decision in <u>Snell/Villareal</u> is in the appellate court and an oral argument on the matter will be conducted on January 12, 2007.

The Board's decision in <u>Waters</u> is in the appellate court and an oral argument on the matter will be conducted on January 3, 2007, in Riverside.

Recent correspondence from the <u>Plata</u> Receiver, wherein the receiver threatened to name the Board as defendants in the <u>Plata</u> lawsuit, will be discussed in closed session as pending litigation.

5. NEW BUSINESS

NONE PRESENTED

6. REPORT ON LEGISLATION – Sherry Evans

NONE PRESENTED

7. ORAL ARGUMENT

In the matter of **CASE NO. 05-0947A**. Appeal from dismissal. Housing Finance Specialist (General). California Housing Finance Agency.

Persons Participating:

Alfred Klein, Attorney, representing appellant.

Barrett W. McInerney, Labor Relations Counsel, Department of Personnel Administration, representing department.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

8. REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION (DPA) - DPA Representative

Division Chief Daryll Tsujihara gave a brief report on recent activities of the Department of Personnel Administration.

9. SUMMARY RECOMMENDATIONS, ASSESSMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION HUMAN RESOURCES

- Karen Coffee, State Personnel Board

In May, 2005, Governor Schwarzenegger signed SB737 that, effective July 1, 2005, consolidated the Department of Corrections, Department of the Youth Authority, Board of Corrections, Board of Prison Terms, Youthful Offender Parole Board, Prison Industry Authority, and the Commission on Correctional Peace Officer Standards and Training into the new Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation as recommended by the Independent Review Panel in 2004. This is the single biggest consolidation in the state's history. It created a department that accounts for approximately 25% of the state workforce. Approximately one year later, and in the face of mounting lawsuits (Plata, Coleman, Farrell, Perez, and Madrid), the new Agency Secretary, James Tilton in conjunction with the Governor's Office requested a review of the effectiveness of HR at CDCR.

Because the report has not been finalized and released by the department, the presentation focused on the process and on what could be identified as measures of effectiveness in three general categories:

- Structure, Staff Resources, and Workload
- Program Effectiveness
- Staff and Management Effectiveness

The review team report has been submitted to the department; they will finalize the report by reviewing the recommendations and developing an action plan to address critical issues.

When finalized, SPB staff intends to develop a template for use by departments to evaluate the effectiveness of their HR operations. Sean Harrigan requested that staff provide the board members with a copy of the key recommendations when the report is finalized.

10. STATE PERSONNEL BOARD HERO PRESENTATION

SPB staff showed their appreciation and honor to Bev Augustine, Chief Deputy Director, Department of Consumer Affairs, who has dedicated herself to the improvement of Human Resources in State government. Although not working in Human Resources, Ms. Augustine has generously given her time at the California Performance Review and, most recently, as a member of the HR Assessment Team that reviewed the Division of Human Resources, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Both of these efforts have provided roadmaps to a more effective civil service system.

CLOSED SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

11. EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS, DISCIPLINARY MATTERS, AND OTHER APPEALS

Deliberations to consider matter submitted at prior hearing. [Government Code Sections 11126(d), 18653.]

12. DELIBERATION ON ADVERSE ACTIONS, DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS, AND OTHER PROPOSED DECISIONS SUBMITTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

Deliberations on matters submitted at prior hearing; on proposed, rejected, remanded, and submitted decisions; petitions for rehearing; and other matters related to cases heard by administrative law judges of the State Personnel Board or by the Board itself. [Government Code Sections 11126 (d), and 18653 (2).] (See Action Taken on Pages 10–18)

13. PENDING LITIGATION

Conference with legal counsel to confer with and receive advice regarding pending litigation when discussion in open session would be prejudicial. [Government Code sections 11126(e)(1) and 18653.]

International Union of Operating Engineers v. State Personnel Board, Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) Case No. SA-CE-1295-S.

Patrick McCollum v. State of California
United States District Court, Northern District of California
Case No. C 04-03339 CRB

Plata, et al. v. Schwarzenegger, et al. Case No. C01-1351 TEH

14. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE

Deliberations on recommendations to the legislature. [Government Code section 18653.]

NO ACTION

15. RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNOR

Deliberations on recommendations to the Governor. [Government Code section 18653.]

NO ACTION

PUBLIC SESSION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD

16. DISCUSSION OF UPCOMING BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE OF DECEMBER 19, 2006, IN SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

NONE

BOARD ACTIONS:

17. ADOPTION OF THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD SUMMARY MINUTES OF OCTOBER 31, 2006

ACTION: ADOPTED

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

18. ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED STATE PERSONNEL BOARD 2007 MEETING SCHEDULE

ACTION: ADOPTED AS AMENDED

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

19. EVIDENTIARY CASES

ACTION: See Case Listings on Pages 10–20

20. RESOLUTION EXTENDING TIME UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 EXTENSION - (See Minutes on Pages 29–30)

ACTION: ADOPTED

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

21. NON-EVIDENTIARY CASES

ACTION: See Case Listings on Pages 20–24

22. NON-HEARING CALENDAR

The following proposals were made to the State Personnel Board by either the Board staff or Department of Personnel Administration staff.

A. BOARD ITEMS PRESENTED BY STATE PERSONNEL BOARD OR DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION TO ESTABLISH, REVISE OR ABOLISH CLASSIFICATIONS, ALTERNATE RANGE CRITERIA, ETC.

NONE

B. ABOLISHMENT OF CLASSES THAT HAVE HAD NO INCUMBENTS FOR MORE THAN TWO YEARS. DEPARTMENTS THAT UTILIZE THE CLASS AS WELL AS THE APPROPRIATE UNION HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THE ABOLISHMENT OF THESE CLASSES.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION AND STATE PERSONNEL BOARD propose to abolish the following unused classifications, which have been vacant for more than twenty-four months. Departments that utilize the class as well as the appropriate union have no objection to the abolishment of these classes. When classes are proposed to be abolished which are part of a class series, and other classes within the series will continue to be used, the class specification is included in the board item.

NONE

23. STAFF CALENDAR ITEMS FOR BOARD INFORMATION

NONE

24. CAREER EXECUTIVE ASSIGNMENT (CEA) CATEGORY ACTIVITY

This section of the Minutes serves to inform interested individuals and departments of proposed and approved CEA position actions.

A. REQUESTS TO ESTABLISH NEW OR REVISE EXISTING CEA POSITIONS CURRENTLY UNDER CONSIDERATION

CHIEF, MEDI-CAL BENEFITS AND RATES DIVISION, MEDICAL CARE SERVICES

The Department of Health Services proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Chief Medi-Cal Benefits and Rates Division is the principal policy-maker and advisor regarding issues with significant policy impact on benefits to citizens, rates to providers, and amongst various beneficiary and provider groups.

DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES

The Department of Food and Agriculture proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category. The Director of Human Resources is responsible for planning, organizing and directing, and controlling a variety of administrative functions.

PROGRAM MANAGER, MOTOR VEHICLE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSION REDUCTION

The Air Resources Board proposes to allocate the above position to the CEA category, on a permanent basis. This CEA allocation was previously approved on a limited term basis. The Program Manager, Motor Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction is responsible for the development of mobile source-related policies and strategies for consideration by the Air Resources Board that will help achieve the Governor's greenhouse gas reduction targets.

B. EXECUTIVE OFFICER DECISIONS REGARDING REQUESTS TO ESTABLISH NEW OR REVISE EXISTING CEA POSITIONS

DEPUTY CHIEF, DIVISION OF LAND RESOURCE PROTECTION

The Department of Conservation has withdrawn their proposal to allocate the above position to the CEA category effective October 31, 2006.

ACTION: NOTED

25. EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENTS, DISCIPLINARY MATTERS, & OTHER APPEALS

Deliberations to consider matter submitted at prior hearing. [Government Code sections 11126(d), 18653.]

26. WRITTEN STAFF REPORT FOR BOARD INFORMATION

ANNUAL CENSUS OF EMPLOYEES IN THE STATE CIVIL SERVICE, 2005-2006 FISCAL YEAR

Government Code sections 19237, 19405, 19705, 19792.5(b) and 19793 require the State Personnel Board to provide the Governor and Legislature with an Annual Report regarding the state civil service workforce. This report covers the 2005-06 fiscal year. SPB staff is requesting the Board to approve this report for submission to the Governor and the Legislature.

ACTION: ADOPTED

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

27. PRESENTATION OF EMERGENCY ITEMS AS NECESSARY

NONE

28. RESOLUTION WAIVING DRUG TESTING REQUIREMENT FOR APPLICANTS TO LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE POSITIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION

Federal Receiver Robert Sillen has requested a waiver of the pre-employment drug testing requirement found in the class specification for Licensed Vocational Nurses now being considered for hire to positions within the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Executive Officer Floyd Shimomura has granted the waiver, subject to ratification by the Board. Vote to adopt an amended resolution ratifying the action of the Executive Officer.

NO ACTION

28. BOARD ACTIONS ON SUBMITTED ITEMS

ACTION: See Minutes on Pages 25–28

29. PLANNING SESSION – State Personnel Board Staff

ADJOURNMENT

WHAT FOLLOWS IS A RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN ON AGENDA ITEMS 19 – 21 AS NOTED.

19. EVIDENTIARY CASES

The Board Administrative Law Judges conduct evidentiary hearings in appeals that include, but are not limited to, adverse actions, medical terminations, demotions, discrimination, reasonable accommodations, and whistleblower complaints.

A. BOARD CASES SUBMITTED

These items have been taken under submission by the State Personnel Board at a prior meeting.

On December 5, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

(1) CASE NO. 05-1737RPA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Psychiatric Technician Assistant **Department:** Department of Developmental Services

Petition for Rehearing granted March 8, 2006.

Oral argument heard July 11, 2006. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

NO ACTION

(2) CASE NO. 05-2596A CASE NO. 05-2592A and 06-0016A

Appeal from formal reprimand and formal reprimand and five workday's suspension

Classification: Physician and Surgeon, Correctional Facility **Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected June 6, 2006. Oral argument heard October 10, 2006. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

ACTION: The Board (Members Clarey, Sheehan, and Tom) issued a non-precedential decision finding that appellants were required to comply with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's directive that they attend a physician competency evaluation, and sustained the official reprimands in SPB Case Nos. 05-2592 and 05-2596, and the five-days suspension in SPB Case No. 06-0016. Vice-President Harrigan dissents, and would revoke the disciplinary actions on the grounds that the Department was not authorized to issue the directive.

Minutes – Page 11 December 5, 2006

(3) CASE NO. 05-3030A

Appeal from constructive demotion Classification: Officer Technician

Department: Department of Developmental Services

Proposed decision rejected May 2, 2006. Oral argument heard October 31, 2006. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

NO ACTION

(4) CASE NO. 05-1351A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

Department: Department of the Youth Authority

Proposed decision rejected April 4, 2006. Oral argument heard September 5, 2006. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

ACTION: The Board issued a non-precedential decision revoking appellant's dismissal on the grounds that the disciplinary action was not served on appellant within the requisite limitations period.

(5) CASE NO. 05-1875A

Appeal from rejection during probationary period Classification: Equipment Material Specialist Department: Department of Transportation

Proposed decision rejected August 8, 2006. Oral argument heard October 31, 2006. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

NO ACTION

(6) CASE NO. 05-0078A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Workers' Compensation Payroll Auditor **Department:** State Compensation Insurance Fund

Proposed decision rejected May 23, 2006. Oral argument heard September 5, 2006. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

NO ACTION

Minutes – Page 12 December 5, 2006

(7) CASE NO. 05-0207PA

Appeal from constructive medical suspension

Classification: Facility Captain

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Petition for Rehearing granted March 8, 2006. Oral argument heard October 10, 2006. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

ACTION: During its meeting of October 10, 2006, the Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision dismissing the appeal and a Resolution to that effect was issued. However, the Board inadvertently did not publicly announce its decision in the case. As a result, the Board publicly clarified the matter during this meeting.

(8) PSC NO. 06-03

Appeal from Executive Officer Decision Disapproving Personal Services Contract for Unarmed Security Guard Services **Department:** Department of California Highway Patrol **Employee Organization:** Services Employees International Union, Local 1000 (CSEA)

Oral argument heard October 10, 2006. Case ready for decision by FULL Board.

NO ACTION

(9) CASE NO. 05-4330A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Custodian Supervisor II

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

ACTION: During its meeting of October 10, 2006, the Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the dismissal, except for the portion of the Proposed Decision related to immorality and a Resolution to that effect was issued. However, the Board inadvertently did not publicly announce its decision in the case. As a result, the Board publicly clarified the matter during this meeting.

B. <u>CASES PENDING</u>

ORAL ARGUMENTS

These cases were on calendar to be argued at this meeting or to be considered by the Board in closed session bases on written arguments submitted by the parties.

Minutes – Page 13 December 5, 2006

On December 5, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

(1) CASE NO. 05-0947A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Housing Finance Specialist (General)

Department: California Housing Finance Agency

ACTION: SUBMITTED

C. CHIEF COUNSEL RESOLUTIONS

NONE

COURT REMANDS

NONE

STIPULATIONS

NONE

D. ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S (ALJ) PROPOSED DECISIONS

PROPOSED DECISIONS

These were ALJ's proposed decisions submitted to the Board for the first time.

On December 5, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

(1) CASE NO. 05-3773

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Senior Transportation Engineer **Department**: Department of Transportation

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

revoking the dismissal.

(2) CASE NO. 05-2585

Appeal from 10 percent reduction in salary for 13 pay periods **Classification:** Correctional Sergeant

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision modifying the reduction in salary.

(3) CASE NO. 05-3690

Appeal from 10 percent reduction in salary for 12 months

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision revoking the reduction in salary.

(4) CASE NO. 06-2707

Appeal from 10 percent reduction in salary for 6 months

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the reduction in salary.

(5) CASE NO. 06-1799

Appeal from 5 percent reduction in salary for 6 months

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the reduction in salary.

(6) CASE NO. 05-1652

Appeal from 20 working days suspension

Classification: Officer

Department: Department of California Highway Patrol **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision revoking the suspension.

(7) CASE NO. 06-2272

Appeal from official letter of reprimand Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision sustaining the letter of reprimand.

(8) **CASE NO. 06-0826**

Appeal from two days suspension Classification: Patrol Officer

Department: California State University, San Bernardino **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

modifying the suspension.

CASE NO. 05-0973E (9)

Appeal from denial of discrimination complaint

Classification: Academic Teacher

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

denying the complaint.

CASE NO. 06-1465 (10)

Appeal from 10 percent reduction in salary for 24 months

Classification: Correctional Sergeant

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

modifying the reduction in salary.

(11) **CASE NO. 06-1433**

Appeal from official/formal reprimand

Classification: Codes and Standards Administrator I **Department:** Department of Housing and Community

Development

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision, except for that portion of the Proposed Decision that defines discourteous treatment of the public or other employees under Government Code section 19572(m).

(12) **CASE NO. 06-1556**

Appeal from rejection during probation

Classification: Heavy Fire Equipment Operator

Department: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

affirming the rejection and denying the appeal.

(13) **CASE NO. 06-1814**

Appeal from official letter of reprimand **Classification:** Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

ACTION: SUBMITTED

Minutes – Page 16 December 5, 2006

(14) CASE NO. 05-0929

Appeal from rejection during probation

Classification: Health Program Manager I

Department: Department of Health Services

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision to set

aside the rejection and grant the appeal.

(15) CASE NO. 05-1939E

Appeal from denial of reasonable accommodation

Classification: Hearing Reporter

Department: Workers Compensation Appeals Board **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision denying the request for reasonable accommodation.

(16) CASE NO. 04-0750E

Appeal from discrimination and retaliation complaint

Classification: Office Assistant (Typing)

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision dismissing the complaints.

(17) CASE NO. 05-2450

Appeal from 10 percent reduction in salary for 12 pay periods

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision revoking the reduction in salary.

(18) CASE NO. 05-0927B

Appeal for back salary determination Classification: Correctional Sergeant

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board rejected the ALJ's Proposed Decision granting back salary benefits and interest.

(19) CASE NO. 06-2288

Appeal from 30 work days' suspension Classification: Correctional Lieutenant

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision revoking the suspension.

(20) CASE NO. 06-1310

Appeal from 14 working days' suspension Classification: Regional Administrator

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(21) CASE NO. 05-3003

Appeal from 10 percent reduction in salary for 18 months

Classification: Medi-Cal Technician I

Department: Department of Health Services

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

sustaining the reduction in salary.

(22) **CASE NO. 05-3425**

Appeal from constructive demotion

Classification: Managing Deputy Commissioner IV

Department: Department of Real Estate

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

dismissing the appeal.

CASE NO. 05-3402 (23)

Appeal from three day suspension and five percent reduction in salary for three pay periods

Classification: Fire Apparatus Engineer

Department: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

ACTION: The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision except for that portion of the Proposed Decision finding that appellant's

conduct did not constitute legal cause for discipline under Government Code section 1957(o) (willful disobedience).

PROPOSED DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER SUBMISSION AT PRIOR **MEETING**

NONE

PROPOSED DECISIONS AFTER BOARD REMAND

(24) **CASE NO. 06-0571R**

Appeal from five percent reduction in salary for 12 months

Classification: Supervising Correctional Cook

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

revoking the reduction in salary.

PROPOSED DECISIONS AFTER SPB ARBITRATION

(25) **CASE NO. 06-1276**

Appeal from five working day's suspension

Classification: Sergeant

Department: Department of California Highway Patrol **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

revoking the suspension.

(26) CASE NO. 06-1953

Appeal from five working day's suspension

Classification: Officer

Department: Department of California Highway Patrol **ACTION:** The Board adopted the ALJ's Proposed Decision

revoking the suspension.

E. <u>PETITIONS FOR REHEARING</u>

ALJ PROPOSED DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD

The Board voted to grant or deny a petition for rehearing filed by one or both parties, regarding a case already decided by the Board.

On December 5, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

(1) CASE NO. 05-3113P

Appeal from ten percent reduction in salary for two months **Classification:** Senior Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor **Department:** Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

ACTION: Petition for rehearing denied.

(2) CASE NO. 05-2334P

Appeal from rejection during probation

Classification: Office Assistant (Typing)

Department: Department of Social Services

ACTION: Petition for rehearing denied.

WHISTLEBLOWER NOTICE OF FINDINGS

NONE

F. PENDING BOARD REVIEW

These cases were pending preparation of transcripts, briefs, or the setting of oral argument before the Board.

On December 5, 2006, the Board took the following action on the cases listed as presented by Elise Rose, Chief Counsel, California State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

Minutes – Page 19 December 5, 2006

(1) CASE NO. 05-0053A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Park Maintenance Assistant

Department: Department of Parks and Recreation

Proposed decision rejected October 10, 2006.

Pending transcript.

NO ACTION

(2) CASE NO. 06-0760A

Appeal from rejection during probation

Classification: Parole Agent I (Adult Parole)

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected November 14, 2006.

Pending transcript.

NO ACTION

(3) CASE NO. 05-2211A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Senior Tax Compliance Representative **Department**: Employment Development Department

Proposed decision rejected September 20, 2006.

Transcripts prepared.

NO ACTION

(4) CASE NO. 05-2888PA

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Staff Services Analyst (General) **Department:** Department of Consumer Affairs

Petition for rehearing granted October 31, 2006.

Pending transcripts.

NO ACTION

(5) CASE NO. 05-0638A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Conservationist I

Department: California Conservation Corps

Proposed decision rejected September 5, 2006.

Transcript prepared.

NO ACTION

Minutes – Page 20 December 5, 2006

(6) CASE NO. 05-0947A

Appeal from dismissal

Classification: Housing Finance Specialist (General)

Department: California Housing Finance Agency

Proposed decision rejected July 11, 2006.

Oral argument originally set October 31, 2006, San Diego.

Oral argument heard December 5, San Francisco.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(7) CASE NO. 04-2919EPA

Appeal of discrimination and retaliation Classification: Physician and Surgeon

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Petition for rehearing granted September 20, 2006. Transcript prepared.

NO ACTION

(8) CASE NO. 06-0392A

Appeal of five percent reduction in salary for 24 months

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Proposed decision rejected October 31, 2006.

Pending transcript.

NO ACTION

21. NON-EVIDENTIARY CASES

A. WITHHOLD APPEALS

Cases were heard by a Staff Hearing Officer, a managerial staff member of the State Personnel Board or investigated by Appeals Division staff. The Board was presented recommendations by a Staff Hearing Officer or Appeals Division staff for final decision on each appeal.

WITHHOLD FROM CERTIFICATION
CASES HEARD BY A STAFF HEARING OFFICER

NONE

<u>WITHHOLD FROM CERTIFICATION</u> CASES NOT HEARD BY A STAFF HEARING OFFICER

On December 5, 2006, the Board adopted, as indicated below, the following items as presented by Laura M. Aguilera, Assistant Executive Officer, State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

(1) CASE NO. 05-2284

Classification: Tax Auditor

Department: Franchise Tax Board

Issue: Suitability; appellant's misdemeanor convictions and felony

conviction.

ACTION: DENIED

(2) CASE NO. 05-1975

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld

for DUI convictions.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(3) CASE NO. 05-1466

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld

for DUI convictions.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(4) CASE NO. 05-1977

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld

for DUI convictions.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(5) CASE NO. 05-1029

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld

for DUI convictions.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

Minutes – Page 22 December 5, 2006

(6) CASE NO. 05-1479

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; appellant's failure to disclose two Wet/Reckless

convictions.

ACTION: DENIED

(7) CASE NO. 05-2290

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld

for DUI convictions.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(8) CASE NO. 05-3674

Classification: Hospital Police Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation **Issue:** Suitability; had a negative employment record.

ACTION: DENIED

(9) CASE NO. 05-1169

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld

for one DUI conviction.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(10) CASE NO. 05-1681

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld

for DUI convictions.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

(11) CASE NO. 05-1170

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation

Issue: Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld

for DUI convictions.

ACTION: SUBMITTED

B. MEDICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENING APPEALS

Cases were heard by a Staff Hearing Panel comprised of a managerial staff member of the State Personnel Board and a medical professional. The Board was presented recommendations by a Hearing Panel on each appeal.

On December 5, 2006, the Board adopted, as indicated below, the following items as presented by Laura M. Aguilera, Assistant Executive Officer, State Personnel Board.

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey – Aye

(1) CASE NO. 05-3944

Classification: Cadet, CHP

Department: California Highway Patrol

Issue: The appellant was medically disqualified due to injuries to his neck, back and shoulders that would allow him to safely perform

the essential functions of the job.

ACTION: DENIED

(2) CASE NO. 05-1747

Classification: Youth Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Issue: The appellant was medically disqualified due to not meeting the vision acuity standards needed to perform the duties of the job.

ACTION: DENIED

(3) CASE NO. 05-0956

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation **Issue:** The appellant was medically disqualified because his hearing did not meet the hearing standards needed to perform the duties of the job.

ACTION: DENIED

(4) CASE NO. 05-2607

Classification: Correctional Officer

Department: Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation **Issue:** The appellant does not meet the minimum psychological qualification standards for State peace officer employment under Government Code § 1031(f) linked to insufficient conscientiousness and self-control.

ACTION: DENIED

C. EXAMINATION APPEALS
MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS
MERIT ISSUE COMPLAINTS

NONE

D. RULE 211 APPEALS
RULE 212 OUT OF CLASS APPEALS
VOIDED APPOINTMENT APPEALS

NONE

E. <u>REQUEST TO FILE CHARGES CASES</u>

NONE

PETITIONS FOR REHEARING CASES

NONE

SUBMITTED

1. TEACHER STATE HOSPITAL (SEVERELY), ETC.

Departments of Mental Health and Developmental Services. (Hearing held December 3, 2002.)

NO ACTION

2. VOCATIONAL INSTRUCTOR (SAFETY) (VARIOUS SPECIALTIES)

Departments of Mental Health and Developmental Services. (Hearing held December 3, 2002.)

NO ACTION

3. TELEVISION SPECIALIST (SAFETY)

The Department of Corrections proposes to establish the new classification Television Specialist (Safety) by using the existing Television Specialist class specification and adding "Safety" as a parenthetical to recognize the public aspect of their job, additional language will be added to the Typical Tasks section of the class specification and a Special Physical Characteristics section will be added. (Presented to Board March 4, 2003.)

NO ACTION

4. HEARING – Personal Services Contract #04-03

Appeal of the California State Employees Association from the Executive Officer's April 15, 2004, Approval of Master Contracts between the California Department of Corrections and Staffing Solutions, CliniStaff, Inc., Staff USA, Inc., CareerStaff Unlimited, MSI International, Inc., Access Medical Staffing & Service, Drug Consultants, Infinity Quality Services Corporation, Licensed Medical Staffing, Inc., Morgan Management Services, Inc., Asereth Medical Services, and PrideStaff dba Rx Relief. (Hearing held August 12, 2004.)

NO ACTION

5. HEARING

Proposed new and revised State Personnel Board Regulations effecting equal opportunity, discrimination complaints and reasonable accommodation policies and procedures. (Hearing held July 7, 2004.)

NO ACTION

6. CASE NO. 05-1737RPA

Appeal from dismissal. Psychiatric Technician Assistant. Department of Developmental Services. (Oral argument held July 11, 2006.)

NO ACTION

*7. CASE NO. 00-3446

Appeal to set aside resignation. Police Officer. California State University, Fresno. (Oral argument held September 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

*8. CASE NO. 05-1351A

Appeal from dismissal. Youth Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Oral argument held September 5, 2006.)

ACTION: The Board issued a non-precedential decision revoking appellant's dismissal on the grounds that the disciplinary action was not served on appellant within the requisite limitations period.

*9. CASE NO. 05-0078A

Appeal from dismissal. Workers' Compensation Payroll Auditor. State Compensation Insurance Fund. (Oral argument held September 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

*10. CASE NO. 05-2596A CASE NO. 05-2592A & 06-0016A

Appeal from official reprimand and official reprimand and five workdays' suspension. Physician and Surgeon. Correctional Facility. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Oral argument held October 10, 2006.)

ACTION: The Board (Members Clarey, Sheehan, and Tom) issued a non-precedential decision finding that appellants were required to comply with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's directive that they attend a physician competency evaluation, and sustained the official reprimands in SPB Case Nos. 05-2592 and 05-2596, and the five-days suspension in SPB Case No. 06-0016. Vice-President Harrigan dissents, and would revoke the disciplinary actions on the grounds that the Department was not authorized to issue the directive.

*11. CASE NO. 05-4330A

Appeal from dismissal. Custodian Supervisor II. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Oral argument held October 10, 2006.)

ACTION: During its meeting of October 10, 2006, the Board decided to adopt the ALJ's Proposed Decision, except for the portion of the Proposed Decision related to immorality. The Chief Counsel's Office subsequently issued a Resolution to that effect. During the October 10, 2006, meeting, however, the Board inadvertently did not publicly announce its decision in the case. As a result, the Board publicly clarified the matter during this meeting.

*12. CASE NO. 05-0207PA

Appeal for petition for rehearing. Facility Captain. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Oral argument held October 10, 2006.)

ACTION: During its meeting of October 10, 2006, the Board decided to adopt the ALJ's Proposed Decision. The Chief Counsel's Office subsequently issued a Resolution to that effect. During the October 10, 2006, meeting, however, the Board inadvertently did not publicly announce its decision in the case. As a result, the Board publicly clarified the matter during this meeting.

*13. PSC NO. 06-03

Appeal from Executive Officer Decision Disapproving Personal Services Contract for Unarmed Security Guard Services. Department of the California Highway Patrol. Service Employees International Union, Local 1000 (CSEA). (Oral argument held October 10, 2006.)

NO ACTION

14. CASE NO. 05-3030A

Appeal constructive demotion. Office Technician. Department of Developmental Services. (Oral argument held October 31, 2006.)

NO ACTION

15. CASE NO. 05-1875A

Appeal from rejection during probationary period. Equipment Material Specialist. Department of Transportation. (Oral argument held October 31, 2006.)

NO ACTION

16. CASE NO. 05-0947A

Appeal from dismissal. Housing Finance Specialist (General). California Housing Finance Agency. (Oral argument held December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

17. CASE NO. 06-1814

Appeal from official letter of reprimand. Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

18. CASE NO. 06-1310

Appeal from 14 working days' suspension. Regional Administrator. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

19. CASE NO. 05-1975

Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation. Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld for DUI convictions. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

20. CASE NO. 05-1466

Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation. Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld for DUI convictions. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

21. CASE NO. 05-1977

Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation. Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld for DUI convictions. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

22. CASE NO. 05-1029

Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation. Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld for DUI convictions. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

23. CASE NO. 05-2290

Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation. Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld for DUI convictions. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

24. CASE NO. 05-1169

Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld for one DUI conviction. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

25. CASE NO. 05-1681

Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation. Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld for DUI convictions. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

26. CASE NO. 05-1170

Correctional Officer. Department of Corrections & Rehabilitation. Suitability; whether appellant's name was properly withheld for DUI convictions. (Presented to Board December 5, 2006.)

NO ACTION

^{*} Item was inadvertently left out from this section of the agenda.

NOTICE OF GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 RESOLUTION

Since Government Code section 18671.1 requires that cases pending before State

Personnel Board Administrative Law Judges (ALJ's) be completed within six months or no
later than 90 days after submission of a case, whichever is first, absent the publication of
substantial reasons for needing an additional 45 days, the Board hereby publishes its
substantial reasons for the need for the 45-day extension for some of the cases now
pending before it for decision.

An additional 45 days may be required in cases that require multiple days of hearings, that have been delayed by unusual circumstances, or that involve any delay generated by either party (including, but not limited to, submission of written briefs, requests for settlement conferences, continuances, discovery disputes, pre-hearing motions). In such cases, six months may be inadequate for the ALJ to hear the entire case, prepare a proposed decision containing the detailed factual and legal analysis required by law, and for the State Personnel Board to review the decision and adopt, modify or reject the proposed decision within the time limitations of the statute.

Therefore, at its next meeting, the Board will issue the attached resolution extending the time limitation by 45 days for all cases that meet the above criteria, and that have been before the Board for less than six months as of the date of the Board meeting.

GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 18671.1 RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 provides that, absent waiver by the appellant, the time period in which the Board must render its decision on a petition pending before it shall not exceed six months from the date the petition was filed or 90 days from the date of submission; and

WHEREAS, Section 18671.1 also provides for an extension of the time limitations by 45 additional days if the Board publishes substantial reasons for the need for the extension in its calendar prior to the conclusion of the six-month period; and

WHEREAS, the Agenda for the instant Board meeting included an item titled "Notice of Government Code section 18671.1 Resolution" which sets forth substantial reasons for utilizing that 45-day extension to extend the time to decide particular cases pending before the Board;

WHEREAS, there are currently pending before the Board cases that have required multiple days of hearing and/or that have been delayed by unusual circumstances or by acts or omissions of the parties themselves;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED that the time limitations set forth in Government Code section 18671.1 are hereby extended an additional 45 days for all cases that have required multiple days of hearing or that have been delayed by acts or omissions of the parties or by unusual circumstances and that have been pending before the Board for less than six months as of the date this resolution is adopted.

* * * * *

Minutes – Page 31 December 5, 2006

I hereby certify that the State Personnel Board made and adopted the preceding resolution at its meeting held on December 5, 2006.

VOTE: Harrigan, Tom, Sheehan, Clarey - Aye

Floyd Shimomura Executive Officer

California State Personnel Board